



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 7874
Hideki MATSUSHIMA et al. : Docket No. 2001_1105
Serial No. 09/890,769 : Group Art Unit 3621
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Sir:

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